



Clinical Congress News

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Welcome



Ralph A. Straffon,
MD, FACS, President

On behalf of the Board of Regents, it is a privilege and a pleasure to welcome you to the 78th Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons.

This year's meeting finds us faced with a number of issues and problems that are affecting the practice of surgery. Gathered at this central meeting place are experts whose ideas will help us focus our efforts on dealing with the challenges that lie ahead.

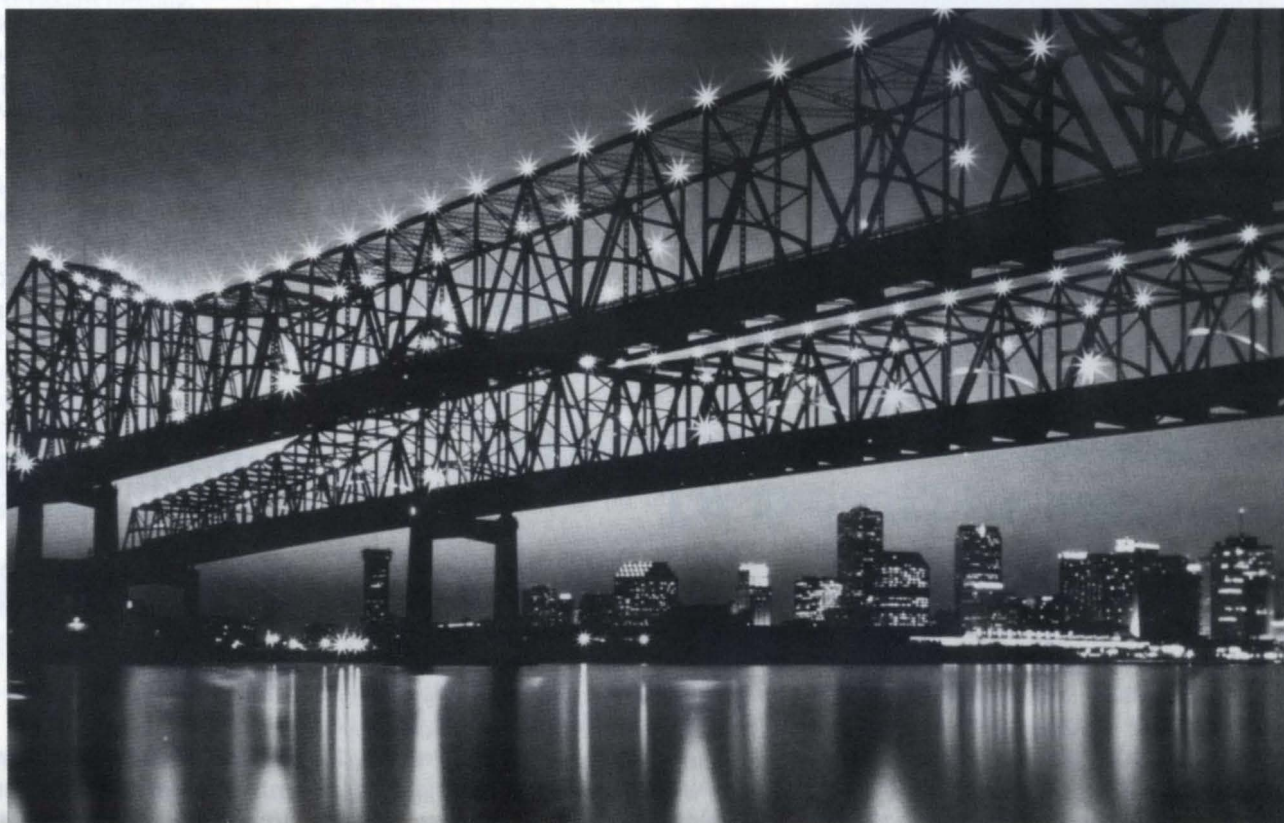
The Clinical Congress is one of the world's largest educational meetings for surgeons, and over 10,000 physicians are expected to register for the meeting. Total attendance, including other health care professionals, scientific and industrial exhibitors, members of the press, and invited guests, is expected to exceed 17,000.

The College's Program Committee, under the chairmanship of Lloyd D. MacLean, MD, FRCS, FACS, of Montreal, PQ, has planned another outstanding Congress. Activities formally begin at 9:30 Monday morning. Floyd D. Loop, MD, FACS, will present the Opening Ceremony lecture on "Dr. George W. Crile: The Father of Physiologic Surgery." Immediately following the opening ceremonies, a wide variety of general interest and specialty sessions will commence.

New to the program this year are two lectures of general interest. The History of Surgery Lecture, sponsored by the Advisory Council for Neurological Surgery, makes its debut on Monday afternoon. Dale C. Smith, PhD, will speak on "Appendicitis, Appendectomy: The Development of Modern Surgery." On Wednesday afternoon, the first Distinguished Lecture of the International Society of Surgery will be presented by Sir Roy Yorke Calne, MB, BS, FRCS(Eng), FRS, FACS(Hon). Professor Calne will talk about "Future Prospects in Organ Transplantation."

The week's meetings will culminate with the awarding of Fellowship in the College to over 1,500 Initiates at the Convocation ceremonies.

The Clinical Congress is greater than the sum of its parts, largely because of the extraordinary cooperation displayed by College staff, ACS committees, and attendees. Let me personally thank those individuals who make this meeting happen, and extend to each attendee my best wishes for a productive meeting.



Crescent City hosts Congress!

New Orleans — an international city steeped in European, Caribbean, and African cultures — once again hosts the Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons.

The New Orleans Hilton Riverside and Towers is the headquarters hotel for this year's Congress, and the New Orleans Convention Center will serve as the general registration area. Scientific and technical exhibits will be housed in the New Orleans Convention Center, and the majority of the scientific meetings will be held at the New Orleans Convention Center and the New Orleans Hilton Riverside

and Towers.

As a convenience, an advance registration (attendance verification) desk will be open *Sunday only* from 12:00 noon to 8:00 pm at the New Orleans Hilton Riverside and Towers (lobby level) and the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel (lobby level). International guests may register in advance at the New Orleans Hilton Riverside and Towers (Norwich Room).

Registration at the New Orleans Convention Center is located on the lobby level. Corrections, on-
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Initiates' Program examines changing face of surgery

For the fourth consecutive year, the College's Committee on Young Surgeons will present an Initiates' Program at the Clinical Congress. This year's program, which is entitled "Your Future in a Changing Surgical Environment," will take place on Monday at 1:00 pm.

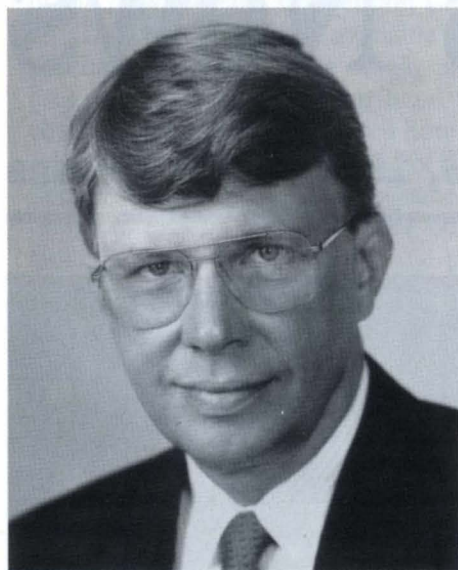
One of the purposes of this program is to welcome Initiates into the College and to acquaint them with some of the major issues that will be addressed at sessions held during the Congress. However, all Fellows who are interested in the program are encouraged to attend.

Martha D. McDaniel, MD, FACS, Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Young Surgeons, will serve as

moderator. Speakers and their topics for the program are as follows: "The Effects of Surgical Volume on Medicare Expenditures," by P. William Curreri, MD, FACS; "Initiatives in Quality of Care for the Future of Surgery," by John R. Clarke, MD, FACS; "Opportunities in Surgical Research," by Andrew S. Wechsler, MD, FACS; and "Growing Patient Awareness and Expectations in the Changing Health Care Environment," by Jack Guildroy, who is a member of the board of directors of the American Association of Retired Persons.

Initiates and other interested Fellows are also invited to participate in a Clinical Congress panel dis-
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Dr. Loop to discuss George W. Crile



Floyd D. Loop, MD, FACS

Floyd D. Loop, MD, FACS, will deliver the Opening Ceremony Lecture of this year's Clinical Congress on Monday morning at 9:30 in La Nouvelle Orleans Ballroom BC of the New Orleans Convention Center. Dr. Loop will discuss "Dr. George W. Crile: The Father of Physiologic Surgery."

Dr. Loop is chairman, board of governors, and executive vice-president of The Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Cleveland, OH. He received an MD degree in 1962 from George Washington University, Washington, DC, where he also performed his internship and residency. Dr. Loop served as a general surgeon at Andrews Air Force Base in Washington, DC, from 1964

to 1966, and then returned to George Washington University and The Cleveland Clinic foundation to complete his residency in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery.

In 1970 he began his professional affiliation with The Cleveland Clinic Foundation, in 1975 became chairman of the department of thoracic and cardiovascular surgery, and in 1989 assumed his present positions.

Dr. Loop is a member of many professional societies, including: the American Association for Thoracic Surgery, American College of Cardiology, American College of Chest Physicians, American Heart Association, American Society for Artificial Internal Organs, American Trauma Soci-

ety, and The Cleveland Surgical Society. He has been a Fellow of the ACS since 1973, and currently serves on the Board of Governors as a Specialty Society Governor from the American Association for Thoracic Surgery. He is also a member of the Governors' Committee to Study the Fiscal Affairs of the College and of the Advisory Council for Cardiothoracic Surgery.

In addition to his many published contributions to the field of cardiac surgery, Dr. Loop also serves on the editorial boards of several journals, including: the *Journal of the American College of Cardiology*, *American Journal of Cardiology*, *The Cleveland Clinic Journal of Medicine*, *Journal of Cardiac Surgery*, and *Perfusion*.

Audience response system introduced for PG #1

The Pre-and Postoperative Care Committee of the College is planning to introduce a computerized audience response system in conjunction with Postgraduate Course (PG) #1. Entitled "Critical Care: ICU Care Controversies," the course will review 15 specific controversies regarding the care of surgical patients in the intensive care unit, ranging from clinical management to fundamental questions of who should be "in charge" of the patient.

In order to increase audience involvement and improve educational benefits, a computerized interactive response system will allow all participants to respond to the same questions put to the speakers and register their opinions regarding patient man-

agement. The system consists of a state-of-the-art central computer that is programmed to receive, interpret, collate, and quickly display responses to multiple-choice questions posed by the faculty. The responses of the audience will be viewed immediately on a central monitor.

This innovative teaching format, which is provided by the Denver-based company of IRIS (Instantaneous Response Interactive System), is being used at the Clinical Congress for the first time. Evaluation of the effectiveness of this interactive system by course participants will determine its future use at the annual meeting.

The chairman for "Critical Care: ICU Care Controversies," is Anthony A. Meyer, MD, FACS, Chapel Hill, NC.

The following companies have supported the *Clinical Congress News* with advertisements in the Exhibit Guide section of this issue:

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General Sessions

Here are the panel discussions and symposia that will be held Monday under the Program Book listing "General Sessions."

Monday

General Panel Discussion

Inflammatory Bowel Disease

10:30 am in La Louisiane Ballroom A in the New Orleans Convention Center

Operating Room Environment Panel Discussion

Technology in the Operating Room: What Is Effective and What Is the Cost?

10:30 am in La Nouvelle Orleans Ballroom A in the New Orleans Convention Center

Graduate Medical Education Panel Discussion

New Technology: How Do You Teach It?

10:30 am in MR 26-28 in the New Orleans Convention Center

General Panel Discussion

Alternatives to Transfusion (Transfusion Therapy Update)

1:30 pm in La Nouvelle Orleans Ballroom A in the New Orleans Convention Center

General Panel Discussion

Multidisciplinary Approach to Calculous Biliary Disease

1:30 pm in La Nouvelle Orleans Ballroom BC in the New Orleans Convention Center

General Panel Discussion

Fetal Surgery in Utero

3:30 pm in La Nouvelle Orleans Ballroom A in the New Orleans Convention Center

Committee on Young Surgeons Panel Discussion

Access to Surgical Care in the '90s

3:30 pm in MR 100-102 in the New Orleans Convention Center

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Dr. Beahrs to receive philanthropy award

The Fellows Leadership Society will hold its fourth annual luncheon on Monday and will feature the presentation of the ACS Distinguished Philanthropist Award. The award will be given to Oliver H. Beahrs, MD, FACS, a humanitarian who has been a guiding force in establishing a development program for the American College of Surgeons.

A Life Member of the Fellows Lead-

ership Society, Dr. Beahrs is an outstanding teacher and clinician who has served the College as Chairman of the Board of Governors, Chairman of the Board of Regents, and President of the College.

Currently, Dr. Beahrs serves as a consultant to the Committee on Development. It was his vision of the development program as another means of strengthening the College's research

and education programs that has resulted in its rapid growth. Dr. Beahrs was the first Chairman of the Fellows Leadership Society.

The reception and luncheon will begin at 11:45 am at Antoine's, 713 St. Louis Street. The keynote address at the luncheon will be delivered by Joseph E. Murray, MD, FACS, who is the 1990 recipient of the Nobel Prize in Medicine. Dr. Murray, a former Re-

gent and First Vice-President of the College, received the Nobel Prize for his discoveries, which have furthered the development of organ and cell transplantation in humans.

New Life Members of the Fellows Leadership Society will also be honored during the luncheon.

The society is chaired by Frank C. Spencer, MD, FACS, a Past President of the College.

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site registration, and postgraduate course ticket purchase or exchange will be handled only at the Convention Center.

A computerized "one-stop" registration system allows individuals to register for program sessions and to purchase postgraduate course tickets at the same time. A separate registration area for Initiates offers comfortable surroundings with photographic services at hand.

For more specific information regarding registration, please consult the general information section of the Clinical Congress Program Book, beginning on page five.

Program

The Clinical Congress was planned by the College's Program Committee, under the chairmanship of Lloyd D. MacLean, MD, FRCSC, FACS, of Montreal, PQ. The Congress was coordinated by the College's Assembly Department, under the directorship of Gerald O. Strauch, MD, FACS.

This year's Congress offers 400 hours of continuing education for surgeons in all specialties.

Opening ceremony/sessions

The Opening Ceremony begins at 9:30 Monday morning, in La Nouvelle Orleans Ballroom BC of the New Orleans Convention Center. Ralph A. Straffon, MD, FACS, President of the College, will preside over the activities.

A complete listing of sessions may be found in the official Clinical Congress Program Book, beginning on page 22.

The Convocation

Fellowship in the American College of Surgeons will be awarded to over 1,500 surgeons from the United States, Canada, and other countries around the world on Thursday, October 15, at 8:00 pm in the Grand Ballroom of the New Orleans Hilton Riverside and Towers. Honorary Fellowships will be awarded to distinguished scientists

from Sweden, England, Switzerland, and Germany.

Surgical Forum

Over 315 papers reflecting original research conducted by young surgical investigators will be read during the Forum on Fundamental Surgical Problems on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. The papers are published in *Surgical Forum*, Volume XLIII, which is on sale for \$20 in the registration area of the Convention Center.

Resource Center

This year, the ACS Resource Center occupies a prominent place in the registration area of the Convention Center, rather than being located in the exhibit hall. The Resource Center provides information on College departments, publications, and activities. Displays will be included for the following College programs: Advanced Trauma Life Support Course, Cancer, CanSur/Net, Communications, Development, Fellowship, Socioeconomic Affairs, *Surgery, Gynecology & Obstetrics*, and Trauma. The Resource Center will be open during regular registration hours.

Exhibits

Approximately 180 scientific exhibits and technical exhibits representing over 350 companies are available to Congress participants. This year the College is implementing a user-friendly Electronic Information Locator that will allow attendees to locate products and exhibitors easily and efficiently. The computerized locator features an interactive touch screen and laser printer, housed in an electronic self-service kiosk, that can create a customized itinerary and floor plan. Information may be selected in a variety of ways—exhibitor name, product category, geographic location, attendee location, and so forth. The Electronic Information Locators are provided through the efforts of Coe-Truman Technologies, Inc., Chicago, IL.

At AUA lecture

Gail Wilensky to discuss direction of health care

On Monday morning Gail Wilensky, PhD, Washington, DC, will deliver the American Urological Association Lecture, "Health Care—Which Direction?" Dr. Wilensky is the Deputy Assistant to the President for Policy Development, and as such advises the President on health and welfare issues.

Dr. Wilensky is a nationally recognized expert on a wide range of health policy issues and has published extensively on health economics and other policy issues. She previously served as Administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration, where she directed the Medicare and Medicaid programs and was responsible for instituting reforms in physician payment, hospital capital costs, and Medicaid financing.

Prior to her HCFA appointment, Dr. Wilensky was vice-president of health affairs at Project HOPE, an international health foundation. She has taught economics and public policy at the University of Michigan and George Washington University. Dr. Wilensky has also held research appointments in the Public Health Service, the Urban Institute, and



Gail Wilensky, PhD

the President's Commission on Income Maintenance Programs.

She is a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences and was a member of the Physician Payment Review Commission and the Health Advisory Committee of the General Accounting Office.

Special Notice: Social Program

Social Program event Q-2, Celebrate! New Orleans Style, is listed incorrectly on the event ticket. The correct date is Tuesday, October 13, 6:00 - 9:00 pm.

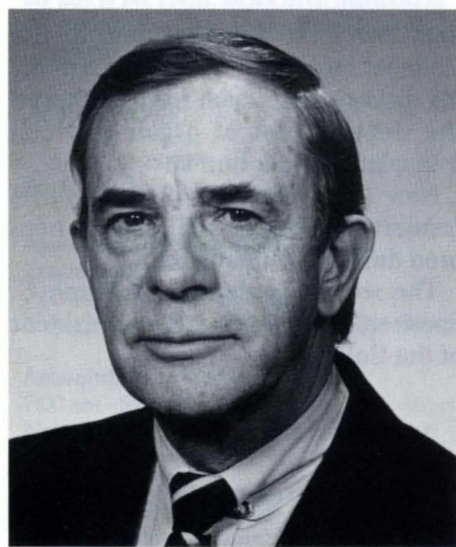
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cussion that the Committee on Young Surgeons will sponsor entitled "Access to Surgical Care in the '90s." The program will take place on Monday from 3:30 to 5:30 pm in the same location as the Initiates' Program. Speakers and their topics for this session are: "The Uninsured/Underinsured—A Congressional Perspective," by Jack Ebeler; "Providing Health Care in the Inner Cities—One Provider's Perspective," by

LaSalle D. Leffall, Jr., MD, FACS; "The Dilemma of Rural Health Care Today," by Robert T. Van Hook; "Oregon's Proposal to Improve Health Care Access," by Paul Kirk, MD; and "Futile Medical Care—A Medical Ethicist's Viewpoint," by Arthur L. Caplan, PhD.

The panel discussion will be moderated by Stephen J. Haines, MD, FACS, who is Chairman of the Committee on Young Surgeons.

Dr. Magovern to talk on skeletal muscle



George J. Magovern, MD, FACS

George J. Magovern, MD, FACS, will present the John H. Gibbon, Jr., Lecture on Monday at 3:30 pm. Dr. Magovern will examine "Skeletal Muscle: Genetic Transformation and Satellite Cells—A Future Biological Power Source in Surgery."

Dr. Magovern has been chairman of the department of surgery at Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, for more than 20 years. He is also chairman and professor of surgery at the Allegheny Campus of the Medical College of Pennsylvania (Pittsburgh).

He received a medical degree from Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI, in 1947. For the next two years, he

served an internship at Kings County Hospital in New York. After concluding a surgical residency at St. Vincent's Hospital and New York Down State Medical Center in 1953, he completed a residency in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery at George Washington University, Washington, DC, in 1957.

Since joining Allegheny General Hospital in 1959, Dr. Magovern has pioneered numerous clinical and research developments: he performed the first heart valve replacement in Pennsylvania, as well as the second lung transplant in the world, and he developed the Magovern-Cromie sutureless heart valve, which reduces

the time needed for heart valve replacement. Dr. Magovern's research team at Allegheny has developed a prototype nuclear-powered artificial heart.

Dr. Magovern is the author or co-author of more than 170 papers, and he has lectured at more than 180 seminars and conferences. He is a past president of the Society of Thoracic Surgeons and a member of the Residency Review Committee for Thoracic Surgery and the American Board of Thoracic Surgery. Dr. Magovern has served and held leadership positions in more than 20 medical societies, and he is currently a member of the ACS Board of Governors.

Clinical Congress offers nine named lectures

This year the ACS Clinical Congress program features nine named lectures. Following is a brief history of each lecture and an update of this year's speakers and topics.

The American Urological Association (AUA) Lecture was first delivered in 1967 by Dr. Paul S. Russell, who spoke on "Tissue Immunity and Organ Transplantation." Since then, the lecture has covered such diverse topics as hypertension, specialty relations, body responses to weightlessness, health problems in developing nations, manpower, and the National Institutes of Health.

Presenting the 1992 AUA lecture will be Gail Wilensky, PhD, Washington, DC, the former Administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration. Dr. Wilensky is the Deputy Assistant to the President of Policy Development. On Monday, she will discuss "Health Care—Which Direction?"

The History of Surgery Lecture, sponsored by the Advisory Council for Neurological Surgery, debuts this year. At the request of the College's Advisory Council for Neurological Surgery, this lectureship was established by the Board of Regents in February 1990. The purpose of this lecture is to present aspects of the history of the development of surgery.

The first History of Surgery Lecture will be delivered on Monday by Dale C. Smith, PhD, associate professor at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, MD. Dr. Smith will discuss "Appendicitis, Appendectomy: The Development of Modern Surgery."

The John H. Gibbon, Jr., Lecture was first delivered in 1971 by Dr. Michael E. Debaeky, who spoke about "The Impact of the Development of

the Heart-Lung Machine on Medicine and Its Potentialities." The lecture was established to honor Dr. Gibbon, a pioneer of modern open-heart surgery, who performed the world's first successful open-heart operation using a machine that totally bypassed the heart.

This year's Gibbon Lecture will be presented on Monday by George J. Magovern, MD, FACS. Dr. Magovern is the chairman, department of surgery, at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh, PA. His lecture is titled "Skeletal Muscle: Genetic Transformation and Satellite Cells—A Future Biological Source in Surgery."

The Scudder Oration on Trauma honors Dr. Charles Locke Scudder, an outstanding contributor to the surgery of trauma and to postgraduate education in fractures and dislocations. In 1917, he organized the first fracture service in the United States.

In 1929, Dr. Scudder delivered the first Oration on Fractures at the Clinical Congress in Chicago, IL. As the scope of trauma surgery widened and the College's Committee on Fractures became the Committee on Trauma, the name of the lecture became the Oration on Trauma in 1952, and the Scudder Oration on Trauma in 1963.

On Tuesday, Dr. Erwin R. Thal, MD, FACS, will present the 1992 Scudder Oration, "Out of Apathy." Dr. Thal is professor of surgery, The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX.

The Ethics and Philosophy Lecture debuted at the 1991 Clinical Congress in Chicago, IL. John Conley, MD, FACS, a New York otorhinolaryngologist, donated \$100,000 to the College to endow a fund that would support this lecture. The lectureship is presented under the auspices of the Committee on Ethics and the Advi-

sory Council for Otorhinolaryngology. Of this lectureship, Dr. Conley has said, "I consider ethics and philosophy to be, in one sense, the essence of the medical profession. It is one of the things that has been buffeted about in the past 20 or 30 years, but that has not diminished its essentiality."

The first Ethics and Philosophy Lecture was presented by Leon R. Kass, MD, Addie Clark Harding Professor in the College of Social Thought at the University of Chicago (IL). Dr. Kass' topic was "I will Give No Deadly Drug: Why Doctors Must Not Kill." The lecture this year will be delivered on Wednesday by H. Tristram Engelhardt, Jr., MD, PhD, professor, Center for Ethics, Medicine and Public Issues, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX. Dr. Engelhardt will discuss "National Health Care Policy: The Moral Issues."

The Commission on Cancer Oncology Lectureship was first delivered at the 1988 Clinical Congress. The establishment of the Oncology Lecture was approved by the College's Board of Regents in June of 1987. The purpose of the lecture is to present current major developments in the field of oncology and to emphasize the role of the surgeon in the care of the cancer patient. The lecturer is considered to be a leader in the field of oncology who has done outstanding work in laboratory research, clinical research, or cancer management.

This year's Oncology Lecture will be presented on Wednesday by Oliver H. Beahrs, MD, FACS, Past President of the ACS (1988-1989) and professor of surgery, emeritus, at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. Dr. Beahrs will discuss "Controversies in the Management of Thyroid Cancer."

The I. S. Ravdin Lecture in the Ba-

sic Sciences, sponsored by the I. S. Ravdin Surgical Society, was first delivered in 1964 and honors Dr. Ravdin, who served as President of the College from 1960-1961. The lecture was established by the Board of Regents, who believed that it was "essential that knowledge in the basic sciences which would support surgery should be presented to the Fellowship."

Presenting this year's Ravdin Lecture on Wednesday will be C. Robert Valeri, MD, scientific director, Naval Blood Research Laboratory, Boston (MA) University School of Medicine. Dr. Valeri will discuss "Transfusion Medicine and Surgical Practice."

The Distinguished Lecture of the International Society of Surgery was established by the Board of Regents in June 1990, and the first Distinguished Lecture will be presented at this year's Congress on Wednesday. This lectureship was established to honor distinguished international surgeons.

Sir Roy Calne, MB, BS, FRCS(Eng), FRS, FACS(Hon), professor of surgery, University of Cambridge Clinical School, Cambridge, England, will discuss "Future Prospects in Organ Transplantation."

The Martin Memorial Lecture was established in 1946 by the Board of Regents to honor the memory of Dr. Franklin H. Martin, founder of the College, as well as his wife, Isabelle Hollister Martin. The specific topic of the lecture is to be of the author's own choosing on any cultural subject.

The Martin Memorial Lecture will be presented this year on Thursday by Louis C. Lasagna, MD, DSc(Hon), dean of the Sackler School and dean for academic affairs of the medical school at Tufts University, Boston, MA. His topic will be "Is Medicine the New Dismal Science?"

Congress Chronicle

The Crescent City

New Orleans is the largest city in Louisiana and is one of the world's busiest ports. The sobriquet "Crescent City" refers to the original section of New Orleans — the French Quarter — which lay along a giant curve in the Mississippi River. Today, the main part of the city lies between the river on the south and Lake Pontchartrain on the north.

New Orleans is the only major American city that lies below sea level (4 to 6 feet). Its pumping and drainage system is the most powerful system in the U.S. The system's 112 giant 16-foot screw-type pumps were designed by Baldwin Wood and can draw off 25 million gallons of water a day; they are capable of emptying Lake Pontchartrain in less than 48 hours. Were they to lay end to end, the more than 2,500 miles of underground pipes and conduits would stretch from here to Vancouver.

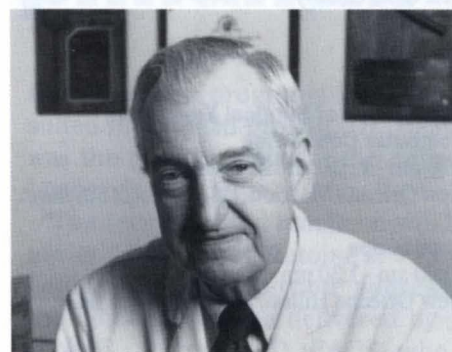
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Official College ties and Fellowship jewelry

Official ACS ties and jewelry are available from Jim Henry, Inc., located in Booth 1704 in the technical exhibit area.

Dr. Lawrence to address cancer meeting



Walter Lawrence, Jr., MD, FACS

The annual meeting of the College's Commission on Cancer will be held on Sunday at 2 pm in Grand Salon C of the New Orleans Hilton Riverside and Towers Hotel. Walter Lawrence, Jr., MD, FACS, president of the American Cancer Society, will present the keynote address, titled "The Commission on Cancer and the American Cancer Society: Partners in Cancer Control." A reception will be held for Dr. Lawrence following the meeting.

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To record your attendance for continuing education and recertification requirements, use the card inserted in the back of the official Program Book. If you have lost your card, you may obtain an extra copy at the Help Center located in the New Orleans Convention Center. These cards are for your personal record and in most circumstances do not need to be validated.

Allied Meetings

Please note: A number of medical school and alumni associations and surgical societies will have information booths, usually open the day of the event, in an area adjacent to the registration area in the New Orleans Convention Center.

Sunday

Morning

Association of Women Surgeons Executive Council
7:00 am - 9:00 am. Meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Rosedown, 3rd floor.

Association of Women Surgeons
7:00 am - 6:00 pm. Meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Grand Salon D, 1st floor.

Surgical Biology Club III
7:30 am - 5:00 pm. Luncheon meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Napoleon Ballroom, 3rd floor.

Surgical Biology Club I
8:00 am - 1:00 pm. Breakfast meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Jasperwood, 3rd floor.

Surgical Biology Club II
8:30 am - 4:30 pm. Meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Grand Salon 1, 1st floor.

Ultracision, Inc.
10:00 am - 12:00 noon. Breakfast meeting.
Windsor Court, Gallery Room.

Joint Council for Approval of Advanced Training in Head and Neck
10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Luncheon meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Grand Salon 10, 1st floor.

Surgical Biology Club III
11:30 am - 1:30 pm. Luncheon meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Magnolia, 3rd floor.

Afternoon

Association of Women Surgeons
12:00 noon - 1:00 pm. Luncheon.
New Orleans Hilton, Grand Ballroom D, 1st floor.

American Association for Thoracic Surgery - Council
12:00 noon - 5:00 pm. Luncheon.
Westin Canal Place, River Room, 12th floor.

Surgical Biology Club I
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm. Luncheon meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Oak Alley, 3rd floor.

Evening

Everest Medical
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Marriott, Mardi Gras A, 3rd floor.

Parkland Surgical Society
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Melrose, 3rd floor.

American Society for Bariatric Surgery
5:30 pm - 10:30 pm. Dinner.
New Orleans Marriott, Beauregard, 5th floor.

Cook County Hospital Surgical Alumni Association
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Marlborough B, 2nd floor.

American College of Surgeons/Friends of Bill W.
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Grand Salon 2, 1st floor.

Monday

Morning

Association of Surgical Education, Computer Committee
9:30 am - 11:30 am. Meeting.
New Orleans Marriott, Beauregard, 5th floor.

Laserscope
10:00 am - 1:30 pm. Meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Oak Alley, 4th floor.

Afternoon

University of Cincinnati Graduate Surgical Society
12:00 noon - 1:30 pm. Luncheon.
Sheraton New Orleans, Bayside A, 4th floor.

American College of Cardiology, Cardiovascular Surgery Committee
12:00 noon - 2:00 pm. Luncheon meeting.
Westin Canal Place, River Room II, 12th floor.

Association of Veterans Administration Surgeons
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Meeting.
New Orleans Marriott, La Galerie 5, 2nd floor.

Evening

American Association of Surgeon Assistants
5:00 pm - 6:15 pm. Meeting.
New Orleans Marriott, Mardi Gras C, 3rd floor.

Association of Veterans Administration Surgeons
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Marriott, La Galerie 4, 2nd floor.

Ohio State University, College of Medicine, Department of Surgery & Medical Alumni Society
5:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Marlborough A, 2nd floor.

J. Bradley Aust Surgical Society
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
Omni Royal Orleans, 621 St. Louis St.

Brigham Surgical Alumni
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Grand Salon 9/12, 1st floor.

Baylor College of Medicine, Department of Surgery
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
Westin Canal Place, Crescent Room, 11th floor.

University of California, San Francisco, Department of Surgery Alumni
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
Sheraton New Orleans, Grand Ballroom B, 5th floor.

Medical Alumni Association of the University of Maryland
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
Inter-Continental, LaSalle B, 3rd floor.

Yale School of Medicine and Yale-New Haven Hospital, Department of Surgery
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
Westin Canal Place, Ballroom II, 12th floor.

William Beaumont Hospital Surgical Alumni Association
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
Sheraton New Orleans, Estherwood, 4th floor.

Baystate Medical Center
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
Westin Canal Place, Executive Room, 12th floor.

University of Oklahoma, Department of Surgery
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
Westin Canal Place, Imperial Room, 12th floor.

University of Florida, Department of Surgery
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Marriott, La Galerie 2, 2nd floor.

New York University School of Medicine
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
Sheraton New Orleans, Grand Ballroom E, 5th floor.

Tufts University School of Medicine
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.
Inter-Continental, Pelican I, 3rd floor.

Clarence Dennis Society, Alumni Association of SUNY Brooklyn
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
Westin Canal Place, Ballroom I, 12th floor.

University of Connecticut School of Medicine, Department of Surgery
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
Westin Canal Place, Terrace Room, 12th floor.

American College of Surgeons, Illinois Chapter
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
Westin Canal Place, Cotton Room, 12th floor.

Massachusetts General Hospital, Department of Surgery
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Grand Salon D, 1st floor.

St. Luke's Roosevelt Hospital Center, Department of Surgery
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
Westin Canal Place, Salon, 12th floor.

St. Vincent's Surgical Society
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Marlborough B, 2nd floor.

Stony Brook Surgical Associates, University of New York at Stony Brook
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Marriott, La Galerie 6, 2nd floor.

University of Alabama Medical Alumni Association and the Department of Surgery, University of Alabama School of Medicine
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Marriott, Regent, 4th floor.

University of Pennsylvania Medical Center Alumni
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
World Trade Center, Galvez Room.

Wright State University, Department of Surgery
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Marriott, Bacchus, 4th floor.

Alton Ochsner Fellows Alumni Association
6:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.
Brent House, Hotel Atrium, Foundation Campus.

Henry Ford Hospital, Roy D. McClure Surgical Alumni Association
6:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Marriott, Mardi Gras FG, 3rd floor.

Temple University Medical Alumni Association
6:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Marriott, La Galerie I, 2nd floor.

University of Texas Medical School and M. D. Anderson Cancer Center
6:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Marriott, Bonaparte, 4th floor.

Hershey Surgical Society
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Grand Salon 1, 1st floor.

American Association of Surgeon Assistants
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Marriott, Mardi Gras AB, 3rd floor.

Emory University School of Medicine Alumni
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Oak Alley, 3rd floor.

John E. Connolly Surgical Society
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
Sheraton New Orleans, Ellendale, 4th floor.

New Jersey Chapter and University Surgical Departments
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Jasperwood, 3rd floor.

St. Louis University Alumni/Hanlon Surgical Society
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Rosedown, 3rd floor.

Singleton Surgical Society/University of Texas Medical Branch
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.
Sheraton New Orleans, Bayside B, 4th floor.

Society of Loma Linda Surgeons
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception/dinner.
Adventist Church, 4201 W. Esplanade, Metairie, LA.

Medical College of Pennsylvania
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.
Inter-Continental, Poydras, 3rd floor.

The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Department of Surgery
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Elmwood, 3rd floor.

University of Hawaii Integrated Surgical Residency Program
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Grand Salon 10-11, 1st floor.

University of Kentucky Medical Center Alumni and Friends
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Grand Salon 6, 1st floor.

The Warren H. Cole Society
6:30 pm - 10:00 pm. Reception/dinner.
Plimssol Club, Versaille Room, World Trade Center.

American College of Surgeons, Florida, Greater Miami, and Jacksonville Chapters
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Marriott, La Galerie 5, 2nd floor.

American College of Surgeons/Friends of Bill W.
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Grand Salon 2, 1st floor.

Surgical Section/National Medical Association
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Reception.
New Orleans Hilton, Versailles Ballroom, 3rd floor.

Brown University, Department of Surgery
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Reception.
Sheraton New Orleans, St. Charles A, 3rd floor.

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Texas Tech University, Department of Surgery Alumni
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Reception.
Sheraton New Orleans, Felicite, 4th floor.

University of Missouri-Columbia, Department of Surgery, and University of Missouri Surgical Society
7:00 pm - 9:30 pm. Reception.
Westin Canal Place, River Room, 12th floor.

Pediatric Surgery Biology Club
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm. Dinner meeting.
Sheraton New Orleans, Bayside A, 4th floor.

Hanlon Surgical Society
8:00 pm - 11:00 pm. Dinner.
New Orleans Hilton, Magnolia, 3rd floor.

Frank Cole Spencer Surgical Society
8:00 pm - 11:00 pm. Reception/dinner.
New Orleans Hilton, Melrose, 3rd floor.

Tuesday

Morning

American Liver Surgery Group
6:30 am - 7:30 am. Breakfast meeting.
New Orleans Marriott, Jackson, 5th floor.

Collegium Internationale Chirurgiae Digestivae, United States Section
6:30 am - 8:00 am. Breakfast meeting.
New Orleans Marriott, La Galerie 3, 2nd floor.

ACAS Surgeons
7:00 am - 8:15 am. Breakfast meeting.
Westin Canal Place, Executive Room, 12th floor.

Surgical Laparoscopy and Endoscopy Editorial Board
7:00 am - 8:30 am. Breakfast meeting.
Westin Canal Place, River Room I, 12th floor.

American College of Surgeons, Indiana Chapter
7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Oak Alley, 3rd floor.

American College of Surgeons, Ohio Chapter, ACS Socioeconomic Committee
7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast meeting.
Sheraton New Orleans, Bayside A, 4th floor.

Panamerican Trauma Society
10:00 am - 12:00 noon. Meeting.
New Orleans Hilton, Rosedown, 3rd floor.

No smoking in scientific sessions

The College requests that Congress participants who wish to smoke do so only in hallways and areas adjacent to meeting rooms (where not prohibited by fire department regulations), and that no one smoke in the meeting rooms before or during a presentation.

History of Surgery Lecture debuts

Dale Smith to speak on modern surgery

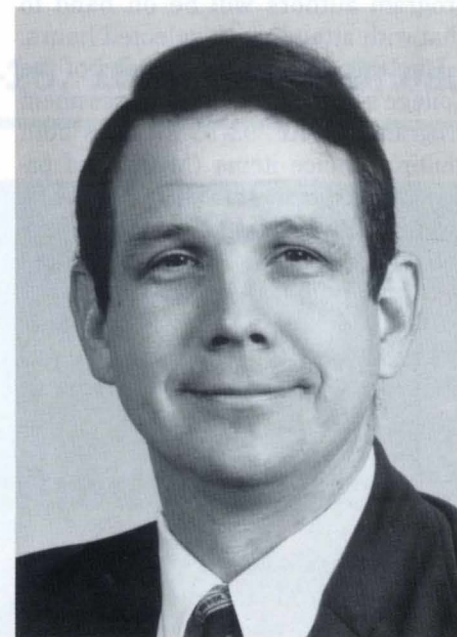
On Monday afternoon at 1:30, Dale C. Smith, PhD, will present the first History of Surgery Lecture in La Louisiane Ballroom A of the New Orleans Convention Center. Dr. Smith will speak on "Appendicitis, Appendectomy: The Development of Modern Surgery."

Dr. Smith is associate professor of medical history at the F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, MD.

In 1979, Dr. Smith received a PhD in the history of medicine from the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, under the direction of professor Leonard G. Wilson. From that time until he moved to the Uniformed Services University in 1982, he was on the faculty of the University of Minnesota.

Dr. Smith is the author of numerous papers on medical history, principally on the history of infectious diseases. His edition of William Budd's *Essay on the Causes of Fevers* was published by the Johns Hopkins University Press in 1984.

Dr. Smith is active within his profession, serving in 1984 as chairman



Dale C. Smith, PhD

of the program committee of the American Association for the History of Medicine (AAHM), as a member of the National Institutes of Health Special Study Section on two occasions, as a member of the council of the AAHM, and as associate editor of the *Journal of the History of Medicine and Allied Sciences*.

Program Changes

Listed below are the program changes made since publication of the official Program Book.

General Sessions

Robert E. Berry, MD, FACS, Roanoke, VA, will replace Dr. J. Bradley Aust as panel discussion moderator during Tuesday's Meeting of the Association of Program Directors in Surgery.

Specialty Sessions

The topic of Dr. Richard L. Strub's presentation in Monday morning's session on "CNS Infections in the AIDS Era" (NS1) has been changed to "Neurologic Syndromes in CNS Infections."

Postgraduate Courses

J. Patrick O'Leary, MD, FACS, New Orleans, LA, will moderate Postgraduate Course No. 20, Session IV on Friday morning.

PG #17, Peripheral Vascular Surgery, has been moved from MR 10-14 to MR 104.

Audlovisual Sessions

The following videotape presentations have been added:

Thoracic Surgery Motion Picture Session, Wednesday, 8:30 am - 12:00 noon; New Orleans Convention Center, Meeting Room 21-25. "Transhiatal Esophagectomy: Thoracoscopic Mobilization of the Esophagus."

Presented by Carlos A. Pellegrini, MD, FACS, San Francisco, CA.

The Ciné Clinics, Wednesday, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm, New Orleans Convention Center, La Louisiane Ballroom BC. "Partial Left Heart Bypass for Repair of the Torn Descending Thoracic Aorta." Authors: Ernest E. Moore, MD, FACS, Denver, CO; and Frederick A. Moore, MD, FACS, Denver, CO. Discussant: Frederick W. Clevenger, MD, FACS, Albuquerque, NM.

Technical Exhibits

The following exhibits were added after publication of the Program Book:

3355, Access Surgical International, Inc.
628, Alko Equipment, Inc.
612, Anago.
711, Analytical Biosystems.
626, Aslan Medical Technologies, Ltd.
633, Battelle.
632, Bicare Monitoring Systems.
638, Biomedical Business International.
719, Blackwell Scientific Publications, Inc.
619, Boss Instruments, Ltd.
709, Care Wise Medical Products Corp.
711, Context Software Systems, Inc.
2759, Corvita Corporation.
3366, Cryomedical Sciences, Inc.
606, CSM Research.
640, DePuy.
2760, Diagnostic Sonar.
737, EasyWare, Inc.
2368, EBSCO Reception Room Subscription Services.

2949, EMC Industries.
3161, Electrolizing.
743, Fiberoptic Medical Products, Inc.,
3154, Fitness First.
616, Fog City Enterprises.
733, Heart Hugger/General Cardiac Tech.
731, Healthcare Publishing.
621, Hybritech Incorporated.
3254, InCoMed.
618, International Medical Electronics, Ltd.
700, InterVascular, Inc.
620, InTherm.
636, Ishiyaku EuroAmerica.
2563, M. C. Johnson Co, Inc.
2366, Jones Medical Industries, Inc.
641, K + A Medical.
705, Kapp Surgical Instruments.
2845, Lederle Laboratories.
2658, Leisegang Medical, Inc.
604, Li Medical Technologies, Inc.
3205, George Percy McGown.
721, McGraw-Hill Healthcare Management Group.
741, M. D. Engineering, Inc.
3258, Medela, Inc.
742, Medgraphix International Imaging.
2464, Medical Armor.
3256, Medi-Flex Hospital Products, Inc.
2712, Metriflow Medical Systems.
3054, Microsurge, Inc.
2659, MIST, Inc.
600, Muffin Enterprises.
634, Neoprobe Corporation.
727, Nordex Medical Corporation.
614, Norfolk Medical Products, Inc.
707, Nu-Surg Medical.
639, Omega Universal Technologies, Inc.

715, Performance Surgical Instruments, Div. of Riley Medical.
610, ProAct, Ltd.
729, Renaissance Technologies, Inc.
608, Research Medical Inc.
615, Review Associates.
617, Schroer Manufacturing Company.
1747, Siemens Patient Care Systems.
738, Steris Corporation.
2657, Surgical Safety Products, Inc.
2454, University Medical Publishers, Inc.
713, Vascular Products, Inc.
3310, W. J. Medical, 3537 Old Conejo Rd.
602, Wallach Surgical Devices, Inc.
613, Weatherby Health Care.
739, West Coast Medical Equipment Co. Inc.
738, Wiest USA, Inc.
627, WISAP/USA.

The following companies have relocated: Bissell Medical Products, Inc., to booth 3344; General Surgery & Laparoscopy News, to 2863; Leonard Medical, Inc., to 3318; National Library of Medicine to booth 718; Quality Medical Publishing, Inc., to booth 702; and W. B. Saunders Company to booth 712.

Baxter Pharmaseal Division has added another booth: #601.

The following companies have cancelled: Augustine Medical, CompuMed Practice Management, Erbe USA Inc., Lasermatic, and Safeskin Corp.

SESAP on display

SESAP '92-'93, the seventh edition of the Surgical Education and Self-Assessment Program, will be on display in a special booth located in the lobby area of the New Orleans Convention Center. The program will be available for purchase throughout the week, and program authors will be on hand to chat with attendees at selected hours.

Like the previous six editions of the College's distinguished self-assessment program, SESAP '92-'93 includes both multiple choice items (MCIs) and patient management problems (PMPs). To ensure that the material will be as up-to-date as possible, SESAP is rewritten every two (rather than three) years.

SESAP includes 450 MCIs in 17 subject areas and 10 PMPs. All of the material is derived from current

information and is clinically applicable to the practice of surgery. Two complete syllabi contain discussions and references for all the MCIs and PMPs.

Participants who return the SESAP response materials to the College for scoring will earn 85 hours of Category 1 credit. SESAP is especially valuable for those physicians who are preparing for certification or recertification in general surgery. While the material in SESAP is not used verbatim, the content of the MCIs is very similar to that of the examination.

Program fees for SESAP are based on membership status and level of training. Computer disks in a simple MD-DOS format that contain the entire program are available for an additional charge.

Mock trial begins Monday

Postgraduate Course #19, "Professional Liability/Risk Management and Legal Preparedness," which begins Monday, is a three-day course that is designed to familiarize surgeons with high-risk areas of practice and the methods that are available to deal with them.

The first session of the course—a mock trial—will be held from 8:30 am to 12:00 noon in MR 13-17 of the Convention Center. The mock trial will be conducted under the direction of Sharon P. Stiller, JD, and Barry M. Manuel, MD, FACS. The case to be heard during the mock trial on Monday will be that of a surgeon who, while performing a sigmoid resection for adenocarcinoma of the colon (Duke C), severed the patient's left ureter.

Ian Nisonson, MD, FACS, will serve

as a defendant. The PRO hearing officer will be J. Peter Maselli, MD, FACS. A civil jury of six people and two alternates will determine the defendant's civil liability for negligence—that is, medical malpractice. A grand jury of seven individuals will determine if there were reasonable grounds to believe that the surgeon committed the crime of assault either negligently or recklessly. A formal level-3 PRO review will also be conducted.

Only those individuals who have registered for the postgraduate course may attend the mock trial.

For information regarding registration for PG #19 or for further information about the sessions and presenters, please consult the official Clinical Congress Program Book.

Use those recycling bins!

Congress participants are urged to utilize the numerous recycling receptacles that can be found around the New Orleans Convention Center. The receptacles will accommodate paper, glass, and aluminum cans.

And if you think that recycling only one can, more or less, won't make a difference, consider this observation

from *Vitality* magazine: Every aluminum can that you don't recycle is the equivalent of filling that can with gasoline and dumping it on the ground. On the other hand, every can you recycle saves the amount of energy that is needed to run a big-screen television for three hours. So please take a moment or two and help the environment.

Convention surplus food will be sent to needy

According to figures from the Physician Task Force on Hunger in America, approximately 20 million Americans go hungry at least a few days each month. In recent years, food assistance organizations in 62 percent of major U.S. cities had to turn people away because of lack of resources.

In an effort to lower these sobering statistics, the College, through the Professional Convention Management Association's (PCMA) "Network for the Needy," will donate surplus goods from Clinical Congress-related meetings and activities. The PCMA network is comprised of meeting professionals and bureau executives from major cities across the country. For more information about Network for the Needy, contact PCMA at 100 Vestavia Office Park, Ste. 220, Birmingham, AL; tel. 205/823-7262.

Congress Notes

Program participants may review slides and films

Beginning on Sunday from 7:30 am to 5:00 pm, participants may review their slides and films in the Speaker Ready Room, MR 53 in the New Orleans Convention Center.

Ticket holders

Postgraduate course tickets are sized to fit into the Congress badge holders. You can keep track of your ticket(s) by sliding it into the holder behind your badge and revealing it at the door as you enter the course room.

Portraits

Arrangements have been made with Oscar & Associates to photograph Initiates and Fellows of the College who desire to have full color or black-and-white portraits taken in fellowship robes. A photographer will be available in the Initiates Registration Area of the New Orleans Convention Center during the following times: Sunday from 11:00 am until 6:00 pm, Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am until 6:00 pm, and Friday from 8:00 am until 12:00 noon.

It is suggested that you arrange for your sitting as early in the week as possible. Oscar & Associates will have an assortment of official fellowship caps and gowns available for your use. There is no charge for the sitting itself. Proofs will be viewed in full color, from which you may order either color or black-and-white finished photographs. A schedule of rates is available at the studio and appointment desk.

This year, Initiates and Fellows who elect to be photographed will see their "proofs" via video screen immediately after their sitting. Although the photography is done by conventional process, an Eastman Kodak electronic previewing system will be used, which allows for simultaneous recording on film and video. This system allows the subject to select favorite views prior to leaving the studio area. Make sure you allow time to be photographed in this state-of-the-art, innovative manner.

Postgraduate courses

Admission to any of the 21 postgraduate courses scheduled this week is by ticket only. Persons wishing to attend a course must be registered for the Congress.

Tickets may be purchased, subject to availability, at the registration area in the New Orleans Convention Center. Tickets for any course may not be exchanged after the course begins.

Help Center

The Help Center (formerly called the Message and Information Center), located in the lobby level of the New Orleans Convention Center, can provide you with messages, information about the programs and related activities, and names of persons regis-

tered and their hotels. Inquiries concerning the Clinical Congress may be made at the Help Center.

A computerized message system, sponsored by Smith Kline and French, has been set up for your convenience. Messages received at this number, 504/552-5001, will be put into a computer and the name of the individual for whom the message is intended will be displayed on TV screens located in the New Orleans Convention Center.

It will not be possible to page individuals or to make announcements. If you wish to reach someone attending the Congress, ring the special number and ask that the message be posted. Also, if you are expecting a call, please check the postings whenever you are in or near the registration area. Please leave the number with your office or with anyone who might want to reach you this week.

The hours of the Help Center are the same as those of the Registration desk: 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm Sunday, 7:30 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Thursday, and 7:30 am to 12:30 pm Friday.

Clintapes/Express Tapes

Virtually all of the general sessions, specialty sessions, major lectures, and postgraduate courses will be recorded on audiocassettes. The program sessions to be recorded are identified in the official Program Book by a code (e.g., CC91-GS2) printed next to the session.

For the first time, attendees at the Clinical Congress will have immediate access to ACS/Clintape "Express Tapes" of selected program sessions. Tapes of 10 general sessions and six named lectures will be available on-site on the day immediately following each meeting. A list of Express Tapes appears on the back cover of the Clinical Congress Program Book. Orders for these tapes should be placed prior to the session at the ACS/Clintape booth, which is located under the giant cassette logo near the ACS Resource Center in the Convention Center.

Lost and found

Lost and found areas will be located in the ACS Convention and Exhibit Office at the New Orleans Convention Center, Mezzanine Level, Suite E, and in the Convention Office at the New Orleans Hilton, Newbury Room.

Caps and gowns

Distribution will be on Thursday, October 15, from 1:30 pm until the Convocation ceremony begins, in the Grand Salon CD of the New Orleans Hilton. Caps and gowns may be turned in Thursday in the Grand Salon CD of the New Orleans Hilton, at the conclusion of the Convocation.

Friends of Bill W

AA meetings—Friends of Bill W—will be held on Sunday, October 11, through Wednesday, October 14, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in Grand Salon 2 of the New Orleans Hilton.